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1. A. CATEGORIES OF HUNGARIAN YOUTH: PERCENTAGE

WEIGHT

PROFESSIONALS IN THE FOLLOWING FIELDS:

- MEDIA	10
- LAW	10
- BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY	35
- MEDICINE	5
- EDUCATION	15
- ARTS AND LETTERS	25

B. RATIONALE:

NATURE OF US- HUNGARIAN RELATIONS MAKES YOUNGER GENERATION ONE OF THOSE ELEMENTS OF SOCIETY MOST UN- ACCESSABLE TO US. FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, THERE WOULD APPEAR TO BE LITTLE POTENTIAL FOR MEANINGFUL CONTACT WITH FUTURE LEADERS IN MANY OF MOST IMPORTANT AREAS OF HUNGARIAN LIFE SUCH AS PARTY, MILITARY, GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY, LABOR UNIONS AND OFFICIAL YOUTH MOVEMENTS, EVEN IF IT WERE POSSIBLE FOR US TO IDENTIFY YOUNG UP- AND-

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COMING FIGURES, WHICH IN ITSELF A FORMIDABLE PROBLEM. WITH YOUNG MEMBERS ABOVE GROUPS, MOST WE CAN REALISTICALLY HOPE FOR MIGHT BE LIMITED NUMBER EXCHANGE VISITS OF SHORT DURATION. PROBLEMS OF ACCESSIBILITY, ESTABLISHING CONSTRUCTIVE

PROGRAMS AND IDENTIFICATION SOMEWHAT LESS FORMIDABLE IN CASES OF YOUTHFUL MEMBERS OF OTHER GROUPS SUCH AS EDUCATION, LAW, MEDIA, MEDICINE, AND BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY. LAST OF ABOVE GROUP HOPEFULLY MAY HAVE INCREASING OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO US FOR SEMINARS AND EXTENDED STUDY IN NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE. BELIEVE THAT BUDDING INTEREST IN MANAGEMENT AS SPECIAL SUBJECT OF STUDY AMONG YOUNG ACADEMICS AND MANAGERS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED. INCREASE IN INFLUENCE AND NUMBER OF CAPABLE MANAGERS SHOULD NOT ONLY BENEFIT HUNGARIAN ECONOMIC REFORM PROGRAM BUT STRENGTHEN INTERNAL POSITION OF SOME OF COUNTRY'S MOST PRAGMATIC ELEMENTS.

C. WE SEE NO PARTICULAR YOUTH GROUPS OR INSTITUTIONS IN HUNGARY WHICH LIKELY TO HAVE EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE IMPACT ON OUR RELATIONS DURING NEXT 2-4 YEARS.

II. A. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES PERCENTAGE
WEIGHT

- CREATE AND MAINTAIN FAVORABLE ATTITUDES TOWARD US	25
- PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING OF BROAD US GOALS AND POLICIES	25
- FOSTER CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO BILATERAL TRADE AND US INVESTMENTS IN FUTURE YEARS	15
- ENCOURAGE PRAGMATIC, NON- IDEOLOGICAL APPROACHES TO NATIONAL PROBLEMS	25
- THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH CONTACTS, UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW INCIPIENT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL TRENDS IN THE SOCIETY	10

II. B. RATIONALE:

THE OBJECTIVES OF ANY YOUTH PROGRAM FOR HUNGARY
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MUST NECESSARILY BE MODEST. HELPING YOUNG HUNGARIANS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND US AND ITS POLICIES, ATTEMPTING TO PROMOTE MORE PRAGMATIC APPROACHES TO PROBLEM- SOLVING, AND FURTHER ENCOURAGEMENT OF STUDY OF ENGLISH REALIZABLE AND WORTHWHILE GOALS. ON THE WHOLE, HUNGARIAN YOUTH MOST INTERESTED IN LIFE AND DEVELOPMENTS IN WESTERN EUROPE AND US AND SHOW PRONOUNCED TENDENCY TO IMITATE WESTERN COUNTERPARTS NOT ONLY IN DRESS, HAIRSTYLES, AND CULTURAL TASTES BUT IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT OF GENERAL VALUE SYSTEM AS WELL. GENERAL OBJECTIVE OF ANY YOUTH PROGRAM HERE SHOULD BE TO DO WHATEVER POSSIBLE TO RESPOND TO THIS INTEREST AND ENCOURAGE ITS CONTINUATION.

INFORMAL CONTACTS BY EMBASSY OFFICERS WITH HUNGARIAN YOUNG PEOPLE DO OFTEN PROVIDE USEFUL INSIGHTS INTO

LIFE IN TODAY' S HUNGARY . YOUNG PEOPLE HERE, ONCE GOOD ACQUAINTNENANCESHIP HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED, ARE GENERALLY READIER TO SPEAK THEIR MINDS THAN THEIR MORE CAUTIOUS ELDERS. EMBASSY YOUTH PROGRAM SHOULD SPECIFICALLY ENCOURAGE SUCH CONTACTS PARTICULARLY BY MISSION' S YOUNGER OFFICERS.

III. A. RESOURCES	PERCENTAGE
	WEIGHT
- CU INTERNATIONAL VISITOR TRAVEL GRANTS	50
- CU EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS	35
- USIA CULTURAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMMING (OTHER THAN EXCHANGES)	15

B. COMMENT:

AS GENERAL RULE IN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS INVOLVING YOUNG HUNGARIANS EMPHASIS SHOULD BE PLACED ON SENDING HUNGARIAN TO US RATHER THAN HAVING AMERICANS COME HERE. HUNGARIAN STUDY IN THE US SHOULD BE GIVEN CONTINUED ENCOURAGEMENT AND SPECIAL EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO PROMOTE STUDY IN AREAS OF MANAGEMENT, ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY. AT SAME TIME TRAVEL TO US FOR SHORT PERIODS OF TIME BY INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS OF YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD BE GIVEN HIGH PRIORITY. AVOIDANCE OF DIRECT USG SPONSORSHIP OF SUCH TRAVEL AND STUDY, WHEN POSSIBLE, CAN BE ADVANTAGEOUS, AS EXEMPLIFIED BY RECENT SUCCESSFUL US LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TOUR BY BUDAPEST UNIVERSITY CHORUS, AND POSSIBILITIES OF NEW SOURCES OF PRIVATE SPONSORSHIP SHOULD BE EXPLORED. FINALLY, WHEN DISCUSSING AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR ANY YOUTH PROGRAM HERE, POPULARITY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE STUDY, PARTICULARLY AMONG YOUNGER GENERATION, SHOULD BE KEPT IN MIND. BELIEVE INTEREST IN ENGLISH SHOULD BE EXPLOITED MORE THAN IN PAST TO INCREASE HUNGARIAN CURIOSITY ABOUT AND UNDERSTANDING OF US.

IV. RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH:

AN EMBASSY YOUTH PROGRAM IN HUNGARY WOULD RATE ONLY A LOW PRIORITY IN EMBASSY' S OVERALL EFFORT FOR FORESEEABLE FUTURE. WHILE WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING OF US AMONG HUNGARIAN YOUNG PEOPLE AND TO COUNTER GENERALLY UNFAVORABLE PICTURE OF US PUT FORWARD IN LOCAL MEDIA, WE MUST NOT FORGET THAT YOUNG PEOPLE' S ATTITUDES HAVE LITTLE TO DO WITH FORMATION OF HUNGARY' S POLICIES, PARTICULARLY RELATIONS WITH US. YOUTH INPUT INTO DECISION- MAKING PROCESS HERE IS SMALL, EVEN IN PURELY DOMESTIC MATTERS, AND IT IS RARE WHEN ONE ENCOUNTERS A HUNGARIAN UNDER 40 WHO HOLDS A RESPONSIBLE POSITION. MUDD

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